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Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 06/20/2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 2, 5-7, 9-20 and 27.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - a) ☒ All    b) ☐ Some\*    c) ☐ None    of the:
    1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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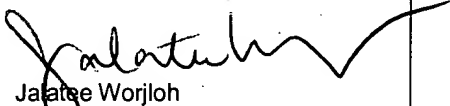
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5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
  - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
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  - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

**Attachment(s)**

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),  
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4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit  
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),  
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7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

  
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1. Claims 2, 5-7, 9-20 and 27 are allowed.

***Reasons for Allowance***

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The closest prior art of record is US Patent No. 6098053 to Slater.

Slater discloses a system and method for performing an electronic financial transaction. Slater taken either individual or in combination with other prior art of record fails to teach or suggest checking by said electronic payment center whether the amount of said purchase of the at least one article is below a maximum amount authorized for the at least one PIN code, each PIN code, each PIN code authorizing a different maximum amount as recited in independent claim 5; requesting, by the electronic payment center, further validation from a third party to provide authentication by an electronic transaction and processing the sale by an electronic transaction upon authentication by the first validation and the further validation, wherein the third party is a prime owner of the credit/debit card as recited in independent claim 9 and performing a pre-validation of buyer information with a third party, performing a validation with transaction information from the buyer and the seller by the electronic payment center using a credit/debit card number and a PIN code provided by the buyer, providing authentication for a sale by an electronic transaction when the prevalidation and validation provide authorizations, wherein the third party is a prime owner of the credit/debit card as recited in independent claim 16. Also, modifying Slater to include these features would destroy the operation of the reference.

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Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

### ***Conclusion***

3. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

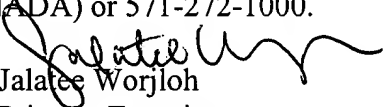
- US Patent No. 5708422 to Blonder et al. disclose a transaction authorization and alert system.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jalatee Worjloh whose telephone number is (571) 272-6714. The examiner can normally be reached on Mondays-Thursdays 8:30 - 7:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Andrew Fischer can be reached on (571) 272-6779. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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